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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Akira HAMAMATSU *et al.*
Application No.: 10/050,776
Filed: 18 January 2002
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR INSPECTING DEFECTS
Art Unit: 2877
Examiner: M.P. Stafira
Conf. No: 9567

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-14501

15 April 2005

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully appeals the decision of the Examiner in finally rejecting Claims 1, 2, 4-12, 26 and 29 in the Office Action mailed 15 October 2005. A Petition for Extension of Time, and Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of all requisite fees, are being submitted concurrently herewith. Please charge any fee deficiency to ATSK Deposit Account No. 01-2135.

Respectfully submitted,

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Concurrent Filings:
Petition for Extension of Time
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